

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Mid-Year Report (1/1/97-6/30/97)

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter is to inform you that as of March 25, 1998, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated March 4, 1998. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request.

The Commission notes the receipt of your Amended Mid-Year Report received February 20, 1998, which corrected the discrepancies concerning Line 23 and the duplicate In-Kinds to federal candidates. Please amend your report to address the following questions:

-Please clarify all expenditures made for fundraising cost on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B of your report to clarify the following description(s): Services Rendered. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Your report discloses payments made to credit card companies for purchases of items or services which do not correlate with the memo entries that are provided to identify the original vendors. Please amend your report by providing an attribution between the monthly credit card payment and the identification of the original vendor(s) from which you have purchased items or services.

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eward D. Ryan on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

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